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A Newsletter of the Wofford College Environmental Studies Program



Professor Lane, Dr. Savage, Dani Metzger, and Gary Henderson saunter to Glendale.

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2nd Annual Thoreauvian Saunter To Glendale



Professor Lane reads an inspirational passage by Thoreau.

A rainy Saturday morning brought a small group of participants together to kick-off Earth Week 2011 and “saunter” (walk, bike and run) to the Goodall Environmental Studies Center at Glendale.

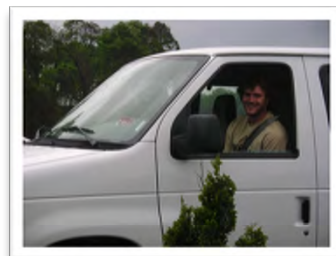
We gathered at Wofford’s Admissions parking lot and paused for a Thoreauvian reading by Professor Lane to inspire our walk. With the sun trying to peek through the clouds, the route to Glendale took us down Church Street, left onto Main Street, and right onto Advent Street to the entrance of the Rail Trail. A brief heavy shower greeted us as we reached the end of the trail, but the rain let up as we headed east on Country Club Road with a

county police escort. As soon as the last of those sauntering arrived at the Goodall Center, the skies opened up!

Professor Lane stated that it took him 2 hours and 19 minutes to saunter to Glendale with his group that included Dr. Savage.

We enjoyed music, food and fellowship in the Goodall Center as the rain came down outside.

The planning has already begun for the 3rd annual Thoreauvian Saunter, which will be even bigger and better (and hopefully no rain)! We hope you will make plans to join us!



Hunter Hobson (pictured) and Brendan Posterick drove participants to and from the Goodall Environmental Studies Center.

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

- April 19th** **“Play Again”:** A new documentary film that looks at the consequences of children being disconnected from nature and encourages actions for a sustainable future. 6:00 pm-8:00 pm in Tyner Auditorium at Spartanburg Regional. For more information visit, <http://www.groundproductions.com/playagain/index.php>
- April 23rd** **Sierra Club Waterfall Hike at Pisgah National Forest:** The hike will be moderate for a distance of 3.5 miles round trip. The group will meet at 11:00 am to carpool. Contact Chip Green for more information and meeting location, **579-0164 or jwgmaps@gmail.com**.
- April 23rd** **Discover your watershed!** 9:00 am-3:00 pm at Lake Lyman Pavillion. Guided wetlands tour via canoe, kayak, and pontoon boat will allow participants of all ages to experience this section of the Tyger River watershed.
- April 26th** **Upstate Workforce Investment Board hosts 2nd Annual Business Summit:** “Think green, grow green” at the Hangar in downtown Spartanburg from 8:00 am-2:00 pm. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with vendor displays, workshop monitoring, and attendee flow can contact Melody Brutkiewicz at **mbrutkiewicz@rescare.com**.
- May 12th** **Citizen Water Monitoring Training Day:** 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm at Musgrove Mill Historic Site Picnic Shelter along the Historic Enoree River, 92 State Park Road, Clinton, SC, 29325. EPA and DHEC officials will teach hands-on water sampling techniques. Training is free. For more information contact Anne Brock at **(864) 427-6259**, or **enoreewatershed@gmail.com**.

Upstate Forever – Conservation Legislative Alert
Status of conservation and planning-related legislation in SC General Assembly
<http://tinyurl.com/UF-campaign-r20>

GRAD SCHOOL PROFILE OF THE WEEK:

Anitoch University New England – Department of Environmental Studies

Anitoch University, located in New Hampshire, offers an MS in Environmental Studies along with several different areas of concentration including Conservation Biology, Environmental Education, Advocacy for Social Justice and Sustainability, and Sustainable Development and Climate Change. A concentration in Science Teacher Certification in Middle Level Science and Life Sciences is also available and is the only program of its kind in the country.

There is also an MS in Resource Management

and Conservation, designed for working professionals who want to build on their environmental management skills, and a PhD in Environmental Studies.

An MBA in Sustainability, also referred to as a Green MBA, is “the ideal way to prepare yourself for working in the new green economy.” This business program is offered through the Department of Organization and Management. To learn more visit <http://www.antiochne.edu/es/>.